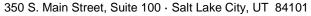


UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Another week of hot and dry weather, with only 2 of the 35 weather stations reporting precipitation of 0.01 of an inch or more, caused the adequate topsoil moisture condition rating to drop by 11 percent points, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. First cutting of alfalfa and other hay is nearly complete at 97 percent and 92 percent, respectively. Barley, oats, and winter wheat heading is nearly complete with the crops good to excellent condition ratings at 91, 87 and 65 percent, respectively. Spring wheat headed is at 71 percent complete, well behind the previous year of 92 percent. Sweet cherries are at 7 percent harvested, significantly behind the previous year of 53 percent and 5-year average of 50 percent. Cache County reports lots of irrigation water being used now with little rain, with perfect weather for harvesting hay, and corn is really growing well on hotter days. Uintah County reports hot, dry conditions are drying out cropland, ranges, and pastures, even with ample irrigation. Garfield County reports that the Brian Head Fire is still burning and currently 75 percent contained, but still threatening livestock and forage supplies for some producers in the area. Stock water supplies were rated 11 percent short, 86 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus. Irrigation water supplies were rated 7 percent fair, 73 percent good, and 20 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay			_			
1 st cutting harvested	97	92	96	95		
2 nd cutting harvested	18	2	16	14		
Barley						
Headed	89	75	97	93		
Oats						
Headed	86	64	74	73		
Other hay						
1 st cutting harvested	92	80	88	79		
2 nd cutting harvested	3	NA	6	NA		
Spring Wheat						
Headed	71	50	92	89		
Sweet Cherries						
Harvested	7	3	53	50		
Winter Wheat						
Headed	96	90	96	97		
Harvested	2		3	8		

NA – not available

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.7
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	7	5	6	20
Short	41	32	29	36
Adequate	52	63	62	43
Surplus			3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	3	1	6	17
Short	28	25	30	41

69

74

63

42

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELD WORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Surplus NA – not available

Adequate

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa Hay	•			
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor	1	1	NA	NA
Fair	25	21	NA	NA
Good	62	68	NA	NA
Excellent	12	10	NA	NA
	12	10	INA	INA
Barley				
Very poor				
Poor				2
Fair	9	11	11	15
Good	71	70	71	64
Excellent	20	19	18	19
Corn				
Very poor				
Poor				1
Fair	9	10	12	19
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Good	75	82	80	67
Excellent	16	8	8	13
Oats				
Very poor				
Poor				4
Fair	13	14	6	18
Good	79	78	85	70
Excellent	8	8	9	8
Other Hay	O	0		
•			NTA	NIA
Very Poor			NA	NA
Poor		2	NA	NA
Fair	19	17	NA	NA
Good	76	77	NA	NA
Excellent	5	4	NA	NA
Pasture and Range				
Very poor				5
Poor	5	3	5	17
Fair	30	28	33	34
	59	58	53	40
Good				_
Excellent	6	11	9	4
Spring Wheat				
Very poor				1
Poor	1	5	2	7
Fair	13	22	13	19
Good	64	57	68	57
Excellent	22	16	17	16
Winter Wheat		10	1,	10
				2
Very poor				3
Poor	2	/		10
Fair	33	42	24	26
Good	55	46	61	47
Excellent	10	5	15	14
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor				1
Fair	15	14	10	18
Good	77	80	65	67
Excellent	8	6	25	14
	O		2.5	14
Sheep and lambs				NT A
Very poor				NA
Poor				NA
Fair	14	23	15	NA
	81	72	73	NA
Good	01	12	13	11/1

(--) – zero

Utah's weather data can be accessed at the following:

 $\underline{http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Utah/Publications/Crop_Progress_\&_Condition/2017/UT_Weather_07022017.pdf}$